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OLONEL Roosevelt was characteristically it to the marines, bo! It's sour grapes that make them say that.

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The Unpreparedness of England

Some of the London newspapers are bitterly criticizing the British War Office for the alleged lack of preparation to conduct war on a great scale, and there is probably pends on voluntary enlistment.

the number of British merchantmen that are conduct in the eyes of the world. traversing the seven seas and the absence of that the British navy is "on the job."

A Good Model

M EMORIAL services were held in Mexico and his far-seeing vision, and if these quali- forced on Germany, ties are exercised, they will pay greater even more valuable to Mexico than was the printed." man they honor.

Autonomy for Poland

R USSIA'S proclamation that she will grant autonomy to a reunited Poland if the German and Austrian sections of that gality as a result of the great war.

Skepticism will be felt, however, as to Russia's sincerity. The Muscovites have nothing to learn either from Germany or the refusal to abide by them, may cause a was created only to be reduced to impotence as an exponent of the popular will. Nevertheless, it is significant that the Czar should recognize the advisability of holding out the promise of a form of independence in his membered that the United States, which has desire to get Polish support.

Humphrey's New Job

ington, professional calamity howler, finding himself forced out of a job by the turn of events, now seeks to become the excuse for existence, does not worry Mr. one now being organized by the women. Humphrey. That the Department of Agriculture is essentially a department of pub- participate in the European conflict, such a

More Work for Colonel Goethals.

nel Goethals for having pushed through that it tends to make women ridiculous. railroad will be acciaimed everywhere.

as Goethals might become Police Commis- cheap excitement, sioner of New York. The man who built the Fanama Canal was worth a splendid that. He should welcome such a splendid opportunity to continue his high service to the country by giving Alaska a transportation system that will be worth more to it than even the great ditch is worth to the country by giving Alaska a transportation system that will be worth more to it than even the great ditch is worth to the country by giving Alaska a transportation system that will be worth more to it than even the great ditch is worth to the country by giving Alaska a transportation system that will be worth more to it than even the great ditch is worth to the country by giving Alaska a transportation system that will be worth more to it than even the great ditch is worth to the country by giving Alaska a transportation system that will be worth more to it than even the great ditch is worth to the country by giving Alaska a transportation of the Sherman act, and be a friend to man. SAMUEL WALTER FOSS. Richmond, August 17.

Both parts of an infinite plan.

Let me live in my home by the side of the road, Kings and Emperors and chancelleries, all and the under the damage provisions of the satisfied to nave nobody eise. The complainants, holding, as trustees, some directors who are dead.

New Haven shares allege that the acts of these directors were in violation of the Sherman act, and that under the damage provisions of the subtle damage provisions

With respect to Colonel Goethals the United ent pleasantry, well, will we have an early States is grateful enough to express its obli-fall gation by giving him another opportunity to serve human progress. That is probably all

Wants the Country to Be Thrifty DRESIDENT Straus, of the American Society for Thrift, in a telegram com-

mending the administration's action in ordering an investigation of the recent abrupt rise in the price of household necessities. asks President Wilson to give his influence to a national movement to make Americans ing-room as thrifty as the Belgians. Mr. Straus does est military point is keeping the pantry filled, not, however, say just how the proposed "movement" is to be made effective.

yet become a governmental function, though make as well as break precedents. President Wilson has shown that this country practices high morality. It will be remembered that a former President preached pany the wickedness of race suicide, while all informed sociologists and physicians agreed They appear to have mislaid Servia.

that we do not need more babies nearly

It is doubtful that President Wilson be-lieves that his people are characteristically1850 made so often that it now passes unchallenged. Ours is a very high standard of living as compared with that common in European countries. Our people are so much interested in living and have, speaking very terested in war than in politics," remarks the broadly, so much of the means to make life Fredericksburg Free Lance, adding this cominteresting, that they may appear to have ment: no heed for the morrow. We are not a politicians." cheese-paring nation because we have no ence becomes so deadly in this country as it is in nearly all Europe, we shall be thrifty Chase City Progress. So our friend has at last SUBSCRIPTION RATES.

One Six Three One Able that thrift has ever, or will ever, besunday.

Story Mos. Mos. Mos. Mos. Story Sto economic pressure for a long period. Mean- that the girls of that thriving town are superwhile President Wilson has quite enough women. "A writer in a Chicago paper," it says, work on hand without trying to teach the asserts that a young man is sure of a welcome while President Wilson has quite enough women. people what they should do with their Sunday only 5 cents

The Value of Treaties

tion last week of the arbitration treaties which this country desires to conclude with the other nations of the world. In opening his New England campaign at Hartford, our lively ex-President permitted himself to say:

urs would not be worth the paper on which they were printed if it became to the interest of any great military power to violate them, if it thought it could violate them with impunity.

It is, of course, understandable that the more than a little ground for the strictures. Colonel should seek to discredit the diplo-England has a chronic habit of "muddling matic efforts of the present administration, several others, we do not know to which to through" its wars. But the British depend but in this sweeping assertion of the uselessupon citizen soldiers and have not fared so ness of treaties he overreaches himself. forever to our readers badly, just as the Belgians have been able While it is quite true that agreements beto put up quite a fight, although it, too, de-tween nations are broken, it is not at all true that any civilized government violates partly foolish. It smacks its lips over Han-Besides, Great Britain relies upon her navy its solemn obligations except as a last resort over watermelons, as its right, and then goes to keep her free from invasion. Considering and with the feeling that it must justify its into hysterics over Alleghany tomatoes and

This we have seen in the case of Gerthose flying the German flag, it would appear many's violation of Belgium's neutrality. have gone echoing and re-echoing down the greater proportionately. The longest and most carnest statements corridors of time. break of the war have had to do with Germany's presence in Belgium. Because of its treaty Germany at the outset found it necessall. Northern Neck and Festern Charleston, where he stands a City the other day over the grave of treaty Germany at the outset found it neces- all Northern Neck and Eastern Shore Vir-Francisco Madero. If the Constitutionalists, sary to solemnly assure Belgium and the ginia: Francisco Madero. If the Constitutionalists, sary to solemnly assure Belgium and the who now control the government of Mexico, rest of the world that the sovereignty of the wor will show their respect and honor for the little kingdom would not be affected and memory of Madero in more practical ways that at the termination of the war Belgium they will lead their countrymen out of the would be fully compensated for any damage Richmond commercially, in that it will bring slough of despond. Madero lacked power she might suffer. To set herself right in Richmond in close touch with a section whose and the strength to control, and that Car- American eyes the German Chancellor business has necessarily been going to Baltiranza and Villa possess. If they also pos- deemed it wise to send a message in which more, will, in the future, go to Richmond. sess Madero's patriotism, his statesmanship he sought to explain that the violation was

tribute to the murdered President than by inviolability of treaties, but it demonstrates, rollment. Why not take advantage of the memorial services, and, what is of infinitely at least, that treaties are worth a good deal more importance, they will make themselves more than "the paper on which they were

without the paper on which they were principled. The paper of the pape Car, has the peculiar interest of being the first approach to the widening of popular would pay the price of being the aggressor pire and there'll be little left. first approach to the widening of popular government in Europe which, it is hoped in in all neutral eyes, and we see to-day that

son to expect that other countries will ulso respect the agreements entered into with us.

To The Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir.—Lewis H. Blair asks what impartial mind gew R EPRESENTATIVE Humphrey, of Washington, professional ealamity howler to the agreements entered into with us.

Women to Parade Against War

Agricultural Department, which it accuses of a protest against the war. The big city of publicity activity. That publicity of its work late years has seen an interesting recrudesis absolutely necessary, and that if what it does and what it learns is not made known purposes, but it is not likely that it has ever confidence it is more often than not a danger. to all the country, the department has no witnessed one of such utter futility as the

If there were any desire in this country to licity and was organized for that purpose is protest might have an excuse, even if it did a matter of no importance. Mr. Humphrey not serve any purpose. The women do not has to investigate something, doesn't he? need to parade to show that they do not Then, why not the Department of Agricul- approve of war, any more than men of a ture? Everything else has already been inlike way of thinking need to. The impending parade was engineered by some of the
leaders in the women's suffrage movement. but other equally prominent women will THE best reward that can be given to Colo- have nothing to do with it, on the ground

to triumphant completion the world's great- At a time when the world is bowed down est engineering feat would be to give him with anxiety at the greatest war in all hisanother great big task. Therefore, the re- tory, futile peace parades seem to argue an I port that the government proposes to send inability in the paraders to treat grave mathim up to Alaska to build the sorely needed ters seriously. A march of mourning women in Berlin or Vienna would have a meaning. Disgust was very general even at the pos- in New York it looks unpleasantly like a I see from my house by the side of the road; sibility that so truly great a public servant product of idleness plus a desire to procure

departure to another world caused the pres-

A movie of Kaiser William embracing Emperor Francis Joseph just at this moment dropped into a mass of molten history before would be worth at least two bits of any man's it

When T. R asks for changes of venue and When T. R asks for changes of venue and delays, it does indeed seem as though more horrible news that hundreds of American school sees into the River of Doubt than comes out teachers are stranded in Europe.-Cleveland

Kitchener has found his way to the draw-But they do say that his strong-

When President Wilson opposed financial The preaching of moral precepts has not assistance to France, he showed that he can What is it?"-Atlanta Journal.

> Considering its team batting average, Belgium is entitled to travel in big league com-

WAYSIDE CHATS WITH **OLD VIRGINIA EDITORS**

"Norfolk grows as a health resort," says the Norfolk Ledger-Dispatch. How does a health

"This should prove very pleasing to the

"The Times-Dispatch is printing a serial story on its editorial page. There's nothing like livening up the editorial page," says the learned that. When will it try it?

The Lunenburg Call would have us believe when he calls on a young lady with a box of candy in his hands. That may be the custom in some places, but in this town girls think more of the mental and moral qualities of the man than they do of a pound of candy."

The Lynchburg Advance is anxious for that naval engagement. Its patience is exhausted. "We hereby solemnly warn the British admiralty that something has got to be done. We stand upon our rights as American citizens and demand that that fleet be resurrected to the light and something be done to revive interest in naval warfare." The demand is seconded. If Great Britain does not want an assault by the combined forces of the Lynchburg Advance and this great and good newspaper, it will stage that fight instanter.

We found a very clever paragraph in one of credit it, and so the paragraph must be lost

sweet corn. If it had just stuck to Hanover products throughout its rhapsody, it

some distance and will be pushed until it reaches the Rappahannock. This will prove to

The Gloucester County school board is seek All this is not much as bearing upon the ing means whereby to increase the school en-

can doubt the outcome of the present war, answer, I think, is that none can doubt it The turn of events, now seeks to become the opposition's chief inquisitor. His latest effort is a demand for an investigation of the Agricultural Department, which it accuses of sumption is open to grave doubt, and even if true, is not ground for belief that Germany can win over France, Great Britain, Belgium, Japan confidence it is more often than not a danger. Self-confidence served the Germans a terrible blow at Liege. The German egotism is the cause of the war. German egotism caused the early checks, and it is German egotism that is going to bring about defeat for Germany much sooner than the inevitable would otherwise have oc-AMERICAN.

Richmond, August 18, 1914.

As good and as bad as I.

I would not sit in the scorner's seat,
Or hurl the cynic's ban;
Let me live in a house by the side of the road, And be a friend to man.

By the side of the highway of life, The men who press with the arder of hope, The men who are faint with the strife; But I turn not away from their smiles nor their

THE BRIGHT SIDE

The Americans abroad in historic Europe has cooled off.-New York Evening Sun.

It's Tough Though.

"Oh, Mildred," cried one young lady, meeting a school friend of some two summers past. "I've heard the greatest piece of news. Can you keep and looked at her husband somewhat appre-

"I don't know," said the friend. "I never tried. Creative Feminiam.

you think we'd better go back through England again on the way home? He "But we did England." "I know it. But since we were there think of all the lovely new ruins the suffragettes

have made."-Life.

WHAT WAS NEWS FIFTY YEARS AGO From the Richmond Dispatch August 19, 1864.

The report that the enemy had quietly taken ossession of Signal Hill proved to be true, but possession of Signal Hill proved to be true, but yesterday the little James River fleet of iron clads sailed down the river, took possession and shelled the hill so hotly the enemy retired in haste. Confederate troops then took possession, and the signal service was restored. Signal Hill is on the plantation of Henry Cox, two and a half miles below Chaffin's Bluff.

The report that Brigadier-General Chambliss was killed in the battle of Tuesday on the Charles City Road proves to be true. His dead body has been sent into our lines by the enemy under flag of truce.

The exact location of the fierce battle of last Tuesday was near Fussell's Mill, between the Darbytown and Charles City Roads. The enemy made a furious charge upon our lines, succeeding in breaking through Wright's Brigade. But they were speedly driven back, with ter rible slaughter by Lane's North Carolina Bri gade, assisted by parts of two Georgia brigades. It was a terrific fight while it lasted. The Confederates captured 600 prisoners and several hundred frearms.

Prisoners taken last Tuesday report that the Federal general, Ferrero, dancing master and commander of negro troops, was killed in the fight on the Darbytown Road.

Our artillery in front of Petersburg, at o'clock yesterday morning opened fire on the enemy all along the line and kept it up for one hour and a half. It was feebly responded to by the enemy. After that there was the usual quiet all down the lines.

A Federal force from the Fifth Army made an exhibition yesterday on our right from Petersburg, and struck the Weldon Road six miles from Petersburg. They burned the Brick House and tore up some of the railroad track. However, 'they were quickly attacked by Walker's Virginia and Davis's Mississippi Brigades, and driven by to the line in front of petersburg. In the engagement, the enemy was Petersburg. In the engagement the enemy was severely punished and 150 prisoners taken. Some of the prisoners taken reported that the object of this move was to cause the with-drawal of Lee's men from the front while a general attack all along the front might be made, but no such attack was made up to mid-

Officers engaged in the fight on the Darby town and Charles City Road last Tuesday that in proportion to the numbers engage was a much more terrific fight than that of the Crater in front of Petersburg on July 30, and that the slaughter of the enemy was much

General Stoneman, the weeping

Colonel John B. Murchison, of the Eighti Gold was quoted in New York on the 12th at

THE PUBLIC PULSE

Editorial Expressions From Leading Newspapers

Our toy factories are few-so what are we going to do about it? Young America must have happy Christmas. He must have toys and

it and American handicrafts, which can find ready work

Closing the Markets.

The closing of the speculative markets of the United States has served to prevent a good deal of mischief and danger in that particular direction, and the general feeling is that this expedient was adopted just in the nick of time. ent was adopted just in the nick of time. So far the disaster to firms has not been serious in the aggregate, and we may cherish the hope that the worst is passed. Whatever may developments of the next few days, we havevery reason to expect that in this countrill effects consequent upon the threat of a general European war will be temporary.

If the present fears are realized, it will soon be obvious that the United States will have a tremendous advantage as the greatest of the world's neutral markets. This is not saving.

Sir.—I see a request in this morning'r TimesDispatch for the following poem, which I take pleasure in sending. I hope you will publish it.

A. H. L.

Let me live in a house by the side of the road, Where the race of men go by;
The men who are good, and the men who are

The men who are good, and the men who are earlier consequences of the Colossal struggle. Everything indicates that these will result in a quickening of our commercial and industrial activities and hasten the revival which has been predicted for the early fall -- New Orleans States.

Dummy Directing Unfashionable The trustees of an estate have brought an interesting suit under the Sherman act against the New York, New Haven and Hartford Rail-

road Company, and all its directors from 1994 to 1909 who are now living, and the estates of three directors who are dead.

the complainants, they will have gone far to show how "dummy" and other unfaithful directing may be made most decidedly unfashionable. "Pardon me," Alan venture perhaps you can help me out—" -Chicago Herald.

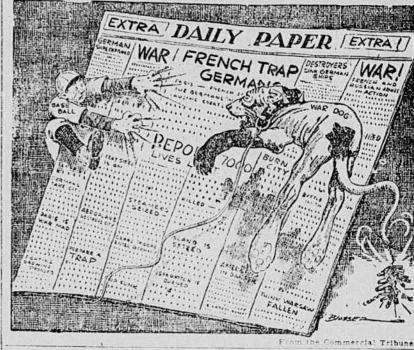
Too Many Ingredients.

and looked at her husband somewhat appre-"Somehow, it don't taste just as Mrs. Mink's where did the other night. Yet I thought I remembered the recipe all right. I suppose I must have left something out."

Mr. Benton tasted reflectively.

thing you've put in!"-Kansas City Star,

What Chance Has Sport These Days? ONE OF THE DAY'S BEST CARTOONS,



The Trey O' Hearts

Romantic Tale by Louis Joseph Vance Copyright, 1914, by Louis Joseph Vance

his hand toward a vessel moored alongside the wharf. There she is, and a better boat you won't find anywhere; schooner-rigged, fifty feet over all, twenty-five horsepower motor auxiliary, two staterooms—all ready for as long a constwise cruise as you care to take. Come aboard."

He led briskly across the wharf, down a gangplank, then aft along the deck to a companionway by which the two men gained a confortable and

vealed to Alan's searching scrutiny a person of sturdy build and independent carriage, with a roughly-modeled, good-humored face, reddish hair, and steady though twinking blue eyes.

CHAPTER XI.—HUNTED

An hour late, in dusk of evening, the train lumbered into Fortland station, and heart in mouth. Alan heiped Rose from the steps, shouldered a way for her through the crowd, and almost lifted her into a taxicab.

"Beest hotel in town," he demanded.
"And be quick about it—for a double was to have met me here a fortnight.



squandered, or worse, by these directors, but even three times that sum, or \$306,000,000.

The proceeding is an effort of a minority stockholder to bring to reckoning and restitution these directors, whose infidelity to their trust and acts in apparent violation of the law resulted in such enormous losses to the actual owners of the New Haven corporation property.

It is an interesting proceeding. Upon its chances of success lawyers may be left to debate. Should the final decision be in favor of the complainants, they will have gone far to show how "dummy" and other unfaithful directs.

thought to charter."

"Pardon me." Alan ventured, "but his bill-fold, "here's a hundred and "You've come to the wrong shop, my friend," the young man interposed with morose civility: "I couldn't help anybody out of anything—the way I am body out of anything—the way I am cager impulse toward the bills. "Aren't

"I'm sorry," said Alan, "but I hought possibly you might know there I could find a seaworthy boat o charter."

"What kind of a boat?" the young "Somebody is," Mr. Barcus agreed to his solitude as the feet of his employer druming a long chance?" he objected feebly.

"No—you are," Alan laughed. "Look for us in thirty minutes. I'm off."

"Somebody is," Mr. Barcus agreed to his solitude as the feet of his employer druming a long the deck over what kind of a boat the young man demanded sharply.

"I don't think so," he remarked.

Mrs. Benton's face brightened visibly. Then her husband continued.

"There's nothing you could leave out," he said, "that would make it taste like this. It's something you've put in!"—Kansas City Star,

"What kind of a boat the young man demanded sharply.

"Anything moderately fast, well-found and able, with accommodations for two passengers—one a lady."

The young man slipped smartly down for this perch. "If you don't livesn't for that insinuating smile look sharp," he said ominously, "you'll thing you've put in!"—Kansas City Star,

"What kind of a boat the young man slipped."

"Anything moderately fast, well-found and able, with accommodations for two passengers—one a lady."

The young man slipped smartly down from his perch. "If you don't leven asked my price, and if it wasn't for that insinuating smile look sharp," he said ominously, "you'll charter the Seaventure." He waved